## RESOLUTION

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO EARTHWORKS, INC. (13 MORELLO COURT, FARMINGDALE, NJ 07727) FOR THE 2022 CAMP CROMWELL TRAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, IN THE SUM OF \$598,100.00, FUNDED THROUGH A \$350,000 SOMERSET COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT AGREEMENT AND \$248,100 IN OPEN SPACE FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator and Township Engineer have determined that there is a need for the acquisition of the following goods and services: 2022 Camp Cromwell Trail Improvement Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township is in receipt of a \$350,000.00 grant from the Somerset County Open Space Trust Fund for recreational improvements at Camp Cromwell, and

WHEREAS, the project will consist of improvements at the former site of Camp Cromwell, including but not limited to construction of multi-use gravel surface trail, mountain biking optimized natural surface trail, rain garden, access gate, parking lot repairs, trail kiosks, benches, tables, bike racks, refuse receptacles, timber bridges, and trail markers. Multi-use trail project length is approximately 5,000 linear feet. Mountain bike trail project length is approximately 16,000 linear feet.; and

WHEREAS, the total fee for the project is \$598,100.00, and includes all materials, equipment and manpower for the above-referenced project; and

WHEREAS, a notice of advertisement for bids and an Invitation to Bid were prepared and advertised in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were opened and read on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 10:00 AM, in accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, Executive Order 107, and Local Finance Notice 2020-10; and

**WHEREAS**, nine (9) bids were received as follows:

Total Bid
\$598,100.00
\$622,050.00
\$938,800.00
\$982,825.00
\$1,098,739.50
\$1,121,550.00
\$1,278,725.00
\$1,637,968.00
\$1,987,013.90

WHEREAS, William H. Burr, I.V., P.E. Township Engineer, and Rose Witt, Qualified Purchasing Agent have reviewed the bids and recommend that the award of contract be

made to Earthworks, Inc., in the amount of \$598,100.00, as the lowest responsible bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, Christopher M. Corsini, Township Attorney, has reviewed the bid proposal package of the two lowest bidders, declares them to be in conformance with the Township Instructions to Bidders and the Local Public Contracts Law and recommends an award of contract to Earthworks, Inc., as the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the availability of funds has been certified by Joseph Sarno, Chief Finance Officer on behalf of Holman Frenia Allison, P.C., who shall make an appropriate entry into the Township's encumbrance system, in the amount of \$598,100.00, from account number 15-0000-0000-0000-2-00000 pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.1 and 5.2, and said certification being attached to the resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. An award of contract for the 2022 Camp Cromwell Trail Improvement Project, as outlined hereinabove, is hereby made to Earthworks, Inc., as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$598,100.00 for the bid total.
- 2. The Mayor, Matthew Moench, and Township Clerk, Linda Doyle, are hereby authorized to execute the township standard form of Contract for Goods and Services referenced herein and made a part of this award of contract as well as any non-substantive modifications thereto and related constituent documents.
- 3. The Township Clerk, Linda Doyle, is directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Qualified Purchasing Agent, Rose Witt, Chief Financial Officer, Joseph Sarno, Township Engineer, William H. Burr, IV, Township Attorney, Christopher M. Corsini, and Earthworks, Inc.

Introduced	Seconded	Council	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
		Kirsh				✓
✓		Norgalis	✓			
		Pedroso	✓			
	✓	Ring	✓			
		Kurdyla	✓			

Adopted: December 19, 2022